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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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THE COMMON SALVATION

"Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."—Jude 3b

M. W. Letsinger

The saints must have had the faith spoken of at some time and now Jude is exhorting the brethren to earnestly contend for it. Certain men had crept in among them and caused their faith to fail, but that was no reason why they should give up and fail. Jude wants them to bestir themselves and get back to the faith that once was delivered.

While Jesus was here on earth He said much about His going away and sending the Comforter to His disciples. After He was resurrected He gave many instructions about receiving the Holy Ghost.

On the day of Pentecost when the time had fully come for the Holy Ghost to be given, about one hundred and twenty were in the upper room in Jerusalem waiting for the promised Comforter. They had been there for several days waiting. Jesus had already chosen His apostles and they were all organized, inasmuch that they were of one accord. When the Holy Ghost was given they all spoke with tongues. When it was noised abroad the multitudes came and saw and heard those Galileans speaking in their native tongue wherein they were born. Jews were present from all the inhabited world and they heard and saw the wonderful manifestations of the Holy Spirit on those poor unlearned disciples.

Pretty soon the Apostle Peter came on the scene and preached a wonderful sermon. Three thousand were brought to the faith. A little later five thousand were converted and the Scripture tells us the Lord added to them daily. There must have been a large crowd of them at Jerusalem, and they were all of one heart and soul. The sick were healed, devils were cast out, and many wonderful things were done in the name of Jesus. From there the Gospel was herald to all the inhabited world. The disciples went forth preaching and establishing churches until it was spoken of as the common salvation, only one church that believed on Jesus as the Christ. They were sanctified, spoke with tongues, and were healed by the mighty power of God. All this was common until certain men crept in and caused division and a loss of confidence which also weakened their faith.

We come from Pentecost on down to Paul's day with the church. We find there was much trouble and Paul made the statement that after his departure grievous wolves would come in, not sparing the flock and men of their own selves would rise up, speaking great things to draw off a following. All this and much more took place in the early church age. Then why should we be surprised if such things happen today?

We are surely living near the end of the church age. As the church went into darkness, we may expect it to come out. If all that have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in the past twenty years had lived right we would be the biggest bunch of protestant people in the world. But the devil has been on the job and many have made shipwreck. We may expect many more to do in like manner. The Word of God stands sure. It cannot be broken. Then we should bestir ourselves and earnestly contend for the faith that was once delivered unto the saints that Jude speaks of as the common salvation.

I think we are making great progress. Only a few short years ago the doctrine of sanctification as a second work of grace was foreign to the majority of people. The brethren who sought and received the experience continued to preach and testify of the same until it has become very common.

Divine healing a few years ago was very uncommon, but today it is an established doctrine and thousands are testifying to the fact that they have been healed by the power of God.

Then the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking with tongues has become very common.

Only a few short years ago this doctrine was new and foreign to the majority of us, but now it is common. You may come in contact with it in most any town or city. A few short years ago we had to do our preaching under tents or in some old outhouse that had been thrown away. We had no protection. They would cut the tents, rock and egg the houses, and many times whip the preacher but none of those things hindered us. We earnestly contend until now it is a very common doctrine. We have built nice church houses and have as much protection as any other worshippers.

Why is it? Because we have earnestly contended for the faith that was once delivered unto the saints and it is becoming more common. Then we are making great headway in establishing the former customs and practice of the church.

Some have been discouraged in the past because of certain developments and some have given up in despair, but in spite of it all some have stood true and are still contending for right. God is honoring them with His presence.

When I think of what has been accomplished in the past twenty years in bringing back the teachings and practice of the early church, it makes me glad and I feel like going on and more earnestly contending for the faith that was once delivered unto the saints until it is so common that all will hear and know something of the power of God to save, sanctify, and fill with His Spirit, to heal and keep us in this present world, looking for His glorious appearing.

50 WERE SAVED

LEMMON, S. Dak.—To the Church of God Evangel, greetings: I feel impressed this evening to write a report to the Evangel of the three weeks tent meeting held in Lemmon, S. Dak., closing August 11. Fifty were saved, including a Catholic man and woman. At first the outcomers seemed a little afraid to come in, but before long they realized we were bringing them news of a hope beyond. Praise the Lord.

It made us rejoice to see hungry hearts open to the truth. They sought the Lord earnestly and the Lord was true to His Word and met them. Brother Paul H. Walker was the evangelist in charge and preached every night and three times on Sunday. Some definite healings were reported. Lemmon and the surrounding vicinity were compelled to believe that one preacher at least still believes that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. Remember to pray for us out here in the West.—Carrie M. Butler.

HUNGRY FOR SOUL FOOD

POWERS LAKE, N. Dak.—There is no Church of God where we are living, but God is able to keep us pressing on. The people are all Baptists, but they are hungry for soul food. Dear sisters and brothers who read the Evangel, do pray for Powers Lake and that God will sweep this town with a great revival where souls will be swept into the Kingdom. We surely want to let our light shine brighter every day. God never wants us to be idle a moment. Three have received the Holy Ghost in the last month, praise our dear King. He is no respecter of person. Let's all put our shoulder to the wheel and help save souls for the Kingdom. Pray hard for us to do some good in this town.—An unworthy sister, Mrs. Michell Saponas.

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9 Added To The Church

GREENVILLE, N. C.—We have just closed a successful revival here in Greenville with nine added to the church. Twenty-five were saved, nine sanctified, seven received the Holy Ghost and several members moved up and took a closer walk with God and His church. Brother K. H. Turner did the preaching. Brother Hunning who was with Brother Turner was a faithful worker around the altar. God surely did bless in the meeting. We want the saints to pray for us to overcome the enemy and stand by our pastor and one another.—Your sister in Christ, (Miss) Jennie Philyan.

God Visited North Georgia Again

CALHOUN, Ga.—The Lord has visited N. Georgia again for which we thank Him. After planning our meeting we were able to secure the service of Brother Otis Smith from Rome, Ga. He gave out the Word uncompromisingly and it had its effect upon the people. Several prayed through to victory, seven received the Holy Ghost and two came into the Church. Brother Smith returned home for a rest but didn't get any for he went over to S. Carolina for a meeting and on his return we got him to help in a meeting at Crane Eater. As he began to flash the shining sword in the enemy's ranks, giving out the truth in his usual manner, God began to honor it and people fell into the altar crying out to God for mercy. Twenty-one were saved, twenty-two sanctified, twenty-one received the Holy Ghost, thirteen came into the church and eighteen were baptized in water. Brother Smith is a power for God and a good man. We certainly do appreciate his labors with us. May the Lord bless him wherever he goes.—Humbly, J. L. Underwood, pastor.

7 Received Holy Ghost

BAUXITE, Ark.—I would like to speak a word in regard to the meeting just closed at this place. The Lord surely did bless Brother Edwards in giving out the Word. Sixteen were saved, seven received the Holy Ghost and the meeting closed with a number of seekers in the altar. Aunt Mary Tidwell from Mississippi assisted Brother Edwards in the first part of the meeting, also Brother Shaw, our beloved district overseer, preached some for us. Eternity only will tell all the good accomplished from the meeting at New Summit.—Annie Mae Grant, Rt. 1, Box 128.

Church of God In New Field

LEMMON, S. Dak.—To the Church of God Evangel: We feel like reporting thru the columns of the Evangel the success we have had in the state of S. Dakota the latter half of this Assembly year.

Some weeks ago we came to Thunder Hawk, S. Dak. and found a little humble band of unorganized saints there. They were ready to receive the truth and of course we were glad to expound the way of truth to them more perfectly. The consequence was we were able to set a Church of God in order with about sixteen members. Prospects are good to see things grow.

Now we have the Church of God in the state of S. Dak. for the first time in its history. We are enlarging our tent and our cords are being strengthened. Let us praise the Lord for all of His doings among the people. Bless His name. The Church of God out here on these western prairies is loyal to her mission and we are going on. Come on, friends, we have no time to stop and converse with the enemy. If anyone out in this territory feels discouraged and disheartened look up and take courage for our redemption draweth nigh. Remember to pray for us.—Your brother in the Lord, Paul H. Walker, overseer of N. Dak.

Historic Athens

Athens Fills an Important Place in Bible History

E. L. Simmons

As we steamed up the Bay of Athens on the morning of August 5th, the sun had just begun to peep over the mountains. Directly in front of us lay Piraeus, the port of Athens with its two hundred and sixty thousand people. Athens with its five hundred thousand lay five miles to the right, and through the mist we could see the sharp peak of Lykabettus with its monastery at the very summit. We could only get a dim outline of the Acropolis because of the haze.

It did not seem that we were approaching the modern Athens, but the Athens of the days of Socrates, the father of philosophy; of Demosthenes, the great orator; of the fathers of science, literature, art, and drama. Last, but by no means least, this was the Athens of the days of St. Paul, the great missionary.

Upon landing in Piraeus, we were taken by automobile to Athens. Our first stop was at Mars' Hill. It is a large stone hill which is ascended by steps cut in the stone. It derived its name from the Greek God of Mars, Aries, from which we also have the name Areopagus or part of Aries.

Just below Mars' Hill looking eastward was the Agora or market place of Paul's day. This level stretch of land is now built up with homes, but has been bought up and the market which lies beneath it is soon to be excavated. It was in this market that Paul disputed daily with those whom he met because he saw the city was wholly given up to idolatry. It was so here that the Philosopher Epicurean and Stoics encountered him and took him to the Areopagus (or court) for an examination regarding his doctrine, Acts 17:22, 23. It is said that at this time a penalty of death was required

for any who should introduce another God. Then what could Paul do in such a position? Listen to the way he begins his speech. "Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious. For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you." Acts 17:22, 23. He wished them to know that he was bringing no new God but merely wished to introduce the one which they were ignorantly worshipping. As Paul continued his discourse, he in all probability looked up at the beautiful marble Temples of Minerva and Athena when he said, "God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands." Acts 17:24. This was quite a statement to be made to such a people as the Athenians, who who were so delighted with their gods and the marvelous buildings they had built unto them. However, this was Paul's mission, to declare the Lord and His Christ, and this he boldly did.

It is very interesting to note that even though some of the people made mock at the sermon of Paul, some came unto him. Among them was Dionysius the Areopagite who perhaps was one of Paul's judges in the examination. It is a known fact that the Areopagites were the judges of the Areopagus.

It is certainly great for one to read the sermon of St. Paul, in the light of its surroundings. This we did in our lesson for the service on Mars' Hill. It seemed almost like hallowed ground as we knelt in prayer. I knelt beside the rock upon which, according (Please Look On Page Three)

CHARITY OR LOVE

Though We Obtain all Other Gifts and Have not Charity, We Are Nothing

Lorena Cotton

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal." 1 Cor. 13:1. This means if it were possible to speak with the tongues of men and angels, and not have charity (or real love of God in our hearts) we become as sounding brass, or tinkling cymbals. It shows that we had backslided.

At 1 Cor. 12:31 Paul puts charity above all gifts, though he does not belittle any of the gifts, but says to earnestly desire, or covet, or seek after them and tells us He shows us a more excellent way. Then at 1 Cor. 13th chapter he shows us the importance of this way of charity and in the first verses he shows that if it were possible for us to display the gifts of tongues, prophecy, understanding, knowledge and faith, so we could remove mountains, and have not charity, we are nothing. So we see he puts charity very high. If we had faith so that we could remove mountains that would be wonderful, but we need charity more than that, and must have it before we are fit to have any of the gifts for it will take charity to enable us to use the gifts properly. It may be that that hinders the gifts being given to us. We haven't the charity God sees we need to enable us to use them for His glory and not get puffed up and think more highly of ourselves than we ought to think and thereby lose our soul. The third verse says, "And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and

have not charity, it profiteth me nothing." That puts charity high doesn't it? Some people think that giving to the poor is all there is to charity, but that is just the first phrase of it. People who have no salvation at all do that and that is good but it is far below the charity spoken of in this chapter. We may give our bodies to be burned (that is strong, isn't it?) and not have the charity Paul is telling us about. The heathens do that but that does no good for Paul says we may do that and we are still nothing. So we find that it takes charity, the real divine, burning love of God, to make us anything.

Well, what is this charity Paul is talking about? Verse 4 tells us that charity suffereth long and is kind. We bear a long time with people who speak against us and work against us, use their influence against us and try to hurt our influence but are we still kind? Charity envieth not. When some preacher preaches better than we do and people honor and praise him more than us, do we get envious about it? May God help us to see ourselves in the light of His definition of charity. Some one can pray better than I and is more used by God in healing the sick, am I envious or jealous? Someone can play better than I and is sought after more than I, am I envious or jealous? Charity vaunteth not itself (as the margin has it, is not rash). Webster says, act hastily, without taking thought as to results; headlong, headstrong, foolhardy, hasty, indiscreet, heedless, thoughtless. So we see we need charity so much. It keeps us from getting puffed up and thinking we are something when we are not. If people speak words of encouragement we at once begin to swell and puff and think too highly of ourselves. Doth not behave itself unseemly. Webster says, unbecomingly, not fit, or becoming, so charity will help us to act right, talk right and dress right. Charity seeketh not her own. Helps us to rejoice when other members of the body are honored.

Charity is not easily provoked. Some say easily is not in the original but the translators put it there to please King James, for he got provoked sometimes. I don't know how that was, but I don't believe charity is provoked. Charity thinketh no evil, has no evil thoughts about any one, gives them a chance to prove evil things before we think it about them. Charity believeth all things. Does that mean we are to believe all the lies and false doctrines of today? By no means. Prove all things by the Word, believe that which we find agrees with the Bible and hold fast to it for it is good.

Charity beareth all things. As we go through this life we may find some things hard to the human to bear, but charity will enable us to bear them, for He has said He will not suffer us to be tempted above that we are able to bear but will with the temptation make a way for our escape that we may be able to bear it, for He is faithful. So charity will enable us to bear all things that God our Father allows to come our way, for He is watching over us all the time for our good and His eyes never sleep.

Charity never faileth. Yes, it never fails. God will enable us to so serve Him that we will hear Him say in that great day of rewards, "Well done, good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of thy Lord." That will be worth everything. We will forget all about the toils and hard places and how it took charity to enable us to be faithful at times, but we are thru with every trial and test and now stand before our Master and have His approval on our service. Praise God! This will be wonderful.

Charity hopeth all things. Yes, it will enable us to gird up the loins of our minds, be sober and hope to the end (Please Look On Page Three)

REJOICED

FLATTOP, Ala.—I want to thank God for the way He is blessing in Flattop. I surely thank Him for Sunday night, Aug. 18, and for being in our little mission band. Oh, how the power fell. The saints shouted and talked in tongues and rejoiced under the mighty power of God until one little girl ten years old asked for prayer and asked the saints to tarry with her that she may get saved and sanctified. We did. Another little girl eight years old came and bowed at the altar. They prayed and wept their way thru to God and were wonderfully saved and sanctified. We thank God for our little mission band.

I want all who read this to pray for our success. I am still afflicted in my body. I beg the prayers of all who read this that the Lord might heal me and that I may get out on my mission for the Lord. Dear saints, before you lay this paper down please ask God to heal my body.—Your humble sister in Christ, Mary Ash, Box 14.

SOULS BLESSED IN DIFFERENT WAYS

WALHALLA, S. C.—We have just closed a two weeks meeting at Walhalla country church. Brother Otis Smith from Rome, Ga. did most of the preaching and he surely gave out the Word with power. Several were blessed in different ways. About eight were saved, six sanctified and one received the Holy Ghost. Brother Smith is a man of God and not afraid to give out the Word in its fullness. He left Thursday and our pastor, Brother R. G. Looney, did the preaching until Sunday night. On Sunday morning seven united with the church and in the afternoon nine followed the Lord in water baptism. The meeting closed Sunday night with the Lord's Supper and feet washing. Brother Looney is a man of God and works for lost souls. We love our pastor. Pray for us.—Your brother in Christ, G. L. Addis, clerk.

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EDITORIALS

We will appreciate it very much if our customers will settle with the Publishing House in time to clear the books before the audit is made for the Assembly. Please do this now. Do not wait to bring the money with you for it will be hard to get to during the Assembly. Please do not neglect this any longer. We believe the Lord will bless those who are not slothful in business.

Good reports are coming in every day of the revival work that is on in the various states. Surely more souls have got to the Lord this year than any other in the history of the Church. We are expecting it to be a great time of thanksgiving when we gather for the 24th Annual Assembly of the Church of God and hear the reports. Come, come. You can't afford to miss it.

Brother W. D. Childers has closed a successful two weeks' meeting at Knoxville, Tenn. The church seems to be greatly encouraged and is in good working condition. The people of Knoxville seem to love Brother Childers and wife and appreciate their service. The Sunday School is also progressing nicely under the able management of Ernest Stanton and C. E. McLain.

We thank our many friends and customers for your early orders for Sunday School literature. You should receive your literature in plenty of time to begin the quarter. These early orders are a great help to us for so many wait until the end of the quarter before ordering and the rush is so great it is almost impossible to fill all of them in time for the folks to have the literature to begin the quarter.

CHARITY OR LOVE

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and for the glad day is to be brought unto us at the revelation of Jesus Christ. For what we see why do we get hope for it, but if we have hope then do we wait with patience for it and it takes charity to enable us to do so. Charity never faileth, but whether there be prophecies they shall fail, whether there be tongues they shall cease, whether there be knowledge we shall know in part, whether there be faith we shall believe in part, whether there be love we shall love in part. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three, but the greatest of these is charity. Why Paul? Because it will help us to live like it pleases God for us to live while in this life. Love and pray for our enemies; love our neighbor as ourselves; do good to them that hate us; and pray for them which despitefully use us and persecute us, and Peter says, 1 Peter 4:8, above all things have fervent charity among yourselves, for charity shall cover a multitude of sins. I am sure love or charity on God's part covered a multitude of sins for the human race when His great love caused Him to give His only begotten Son on the cross that His blood might cover or wash away our sins so this real divine love, or charity will enable us not to be ready to condemn our brothers and sisters when they make mistakes, but will help us to put over them the mantle of love or charity. This does not mean for us to cover sin, but use love for the erring ones, keeps us from saying hard things about them to their back, keeps us from backbiting, keeps us from preferring one before another. Love works no ill to his neighbor so we see that we must have charity to help us make this run successfully and land us safely on Heaven's shore, not putting on charity as make believe, but put it on as a part or piece of our warfare that will enable us to love or show charity. And too, charity or the real divine love will go with us or be in us through eternity while the ages roll on, so charity is greater than faith or hope.

Lone Star State But Not Alone

Jesus said, lo, I am with you alway. We can truly say that He has been with us in Texas. We would not have been willing to come back to this work had we not felt that His presence would be with us.

Not long after reaching the state the majority of the churches were supplied with pastors. The churches as a whole have been satisfied. The cooperation of the laity and ministry is good. A number of good revivals have been conducted throughout the churches.

March 1st, was the beginning of our district convention. Our first convention was at Ranger, and then at Weatherford, East Texas, Crockett, N. Texas, Panhandle, and unto the utmost parts of the earth (Brownfield on the South Plains). These were indeed great gatherings. The presence of the Lord was manifested in a marvelous way from the first to the last, even in the Panhandle. One man said you usually found the good in the pan, but in this case the e was some good in the handle (the Church of God in the Panhandle). The last convention was at Brownfield. The Sunday morning of this meeting before we arrived at the place of worship, the news was brought to us that the church house was burned. When we arrived at the place we only found a hot bed of ashes. Our hearts were sad, as we beheld the place where there had been so many good meetings. We were troubled, yet not discouraged, perplexed but not in despair, persecuted but not forsaken, cast down but not destroyed. By eleven o'clock the good brethren and friends had erected a gospel tent, and we went ahead with the services. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. They now have another good house built where the former one was burned.

Many of the preachers have had good revivals at their churches. Not having many evangelists in the state, several of the pastors have conducted the revivals at the churches where they are pastoring.

Our state camp meeting began August 1 and ran until August 11 inclusive. Our General Overseer, Brother S. W. Latimer, was with us the first week of the meeting. There is a welcome awaiting him in Texas any time that he can come this way.

You will find in Texas some people who are loyal members of the Church of God. I have not been able to give the service over the state that I should and would like to have given. The Lord has given us a good year.

Many will be looking forward to the annual feast at Weatherford in Aug. of 1930. Pray much that there will be a great ingathering of souls and above everything, be ready for the meeting in the air. Oh Glory! Raise your hands with me, let us say glory together again. I seem to see your hands going up together under the big tabernacle. I feel the fire burning in my soul. Glory! Glory!—Yours for the Master, C. E. Williams, Overseer of Texas.

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NOTICES & SPECIALS

Owing to my physical condition for the past two or three months, I have been deprived of spending the time in the work in Alabama as I have desired, but am somewhat improved. However, being determined to visit as many of the churches as possible, I will not be at the state camp meeting in Anniston. In fact, the committee for arranging the meeting, has informed us that no place has been secured in Anniston, other than the local church building. I will be in Alabama when you read this, D. V. I hope, if the brethren decide to go on with the meeting, that every effort will be crowned with success. Please pray that the Lord will hold me up in body, that I may visit every place or church in Alabama that I have not yet visited.—Yours in His cause, T. L. McLain, Overseer of Alabama.

To whom it may concern: This will serve to notify our many friends who are so faithfully calling for our help in revivals, that it will be impossible to get to all of you by the Assembly, but we truly hope the Lord will send you better help than ours would have been. May the dear Lord bless every one of you in Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina, in my prayer. We are giving the devil a black eye in Florida. Any one wishing our help after the Assembly can reach us at Ft. Pierce, Fla., Gen. Del., or thru Headquarters.—Humbly, I. G. Roberts.

The Florida West Coast singing convention will have their usual singing at Wimauma, Fla., Sept. 29th. Everybody come expecting a good time singing His praise. Let us try to make it the best singing of the year by being present and ready to sing.—P. W. Chessor, Sec'y.

I praise the Lord because I am saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and belong to the Church of God. I am so glad to be back home again. I want the church in general to forgive me for the hard things I said against the elders. I have been back home a long time but my eyes have been so bad I could not write. I have sugar diabetes. Pray for me. Thirteen years ago the Lord saved me and I united with the Church of God but I left the church and followed man. The Lord kept me and I am glad to be at home again. I need your prayers.—Your sister in Christ, Cynthia J. Birk, 1829 Baird St., Louisville, Ky.

I have changed my address from 1910 Evergreen St., Jacksonville, Fla. to Box 695, Lakeland, Fla.—R. P. Johnson.

We are expecting a blessed time in the Lord here in a revival in October. I want all who read this to pray for us that God will save many souls and add to the church such as will be saved.

Now just a few words to the saints in Arkansas: I will, if the Lord is willing, spend the month of September in evangelistic work in Arkansas. If you want me in a meeting, write me.—Yours for the upbuilding of the Churches of God in Arkansas, W. I. Buford, pastor of New Summit church, Dauxite, Ark.

We would like for some good Church of God preacher to come along and hold us a meeting. We stand foursquare for the Church of God. We have no pastor but have a deacon who preaches for us. Please remember us in prayer.—I. W. Dobbins, clerk, Pipe Shop, Radford, Va.

I would like to have an elderly lady come and live with us as one of the family. She must be a Church of God member and in good standing. For information write Mrs. W. E. Jones, 709 Garden Ave., Clearwater, Fla.

There is to be an old time revival to commence in Montgomery, Ala. Sept. 21st. Earl Paulk will be in charge and the Father, Son and Holy Ghost will be at the head. Montgomery has been a hard place but in the last two years things have been picking up and are feeling real good for a revival. The church is located on Ripley St., near the capitol. Come and help us pray, sing and shout. Hallelujah!—P. F. Fritz.

We have received some inquiries about the articles on the subject of "Last Day Evils" that appeared in the Evangel, being put into tract form. These articles have been printed in a pamphlet of sixteen pages. Those who desire one can obtain it from the Church of God Publishing House, Cleveland, Tenn. We slightly revised the article and added a little more to it before it was printed in pamphlet. The price is small and we believe that God will bless those who help to get this truth before the people. Order a few copies and sell them for a few cents or give them to your friends and pray that people may be awakened to the awful condition that engulfs the world today. Surely the "perilous times" of the "last days" are here and millions of people are asleep in midnight darkness and staggering on the brink of ruin. Let us try to awake them before they are swallowed up in the most horrible catastrophe the world has ever known. Gospel literature put in the hands of your friends may be the means of their awakening. Many have been converted by reading a gospel tract.—Yours for the salvation of the lost.—J. P. Hughes.

A revival meeting will start at Wakeforest church Sept. 14th and run until the 29th. Everybody invited. Come expecting a good time. On the 27th and 28th the Durham district assembly will convene. On the fifth Sunday there will be singing and dinner on the ground. H.K. Turner in charge. Brother Mann in charge of music, John L. Stephens in charge of district assembly. Everybody invited. We are expecting a good time in the Lord.—A. L. Crisp, district pastor.

If any one who reads this knows the whereabouts of R. L. Primm, please notify me at Epps, La.—A. J. Sandifer.

The Louisiana state convention convenes at Dunn, La. Sept. 27th-29th. We would be glad for the pastors, and clerks to be present. Those who can't come, please send a report of your work.—G. C. Dunn, State Overseer.

We have decided to have a Fall camp meeting at Wimauma, Fla. beginning Thursday, Sept. 26th, continuing thru Oct. 6th. Be sure to come. We are expecting some good things from the Lord. For any information write R. P. Johnson, Box 695, Lakeland, Fla., or A. M. Sapp, Wimauma, Fla.

The Church of God at Gastonia, N. C. will meet in conference Oct. 7, 1929. We intend to revise our church roll. If you intend to remain a member of the Church of God at Gastonia, N. C., let us hear from you, either in person or by letter. All who don't report will be dropped from our list. Humbly, G. S. Scott, pastor, W. J. Dover, clerk.

The district Sunday School convention of District No. 3 will convene at Olney, Ill. Sept. 22d. We are expecting a great time and extend an invitation to one and all. We expect our state superintendent to be with us, Brother Marion Joplin.—Graham Oglesby, District Superintendent, Olney, Ill.

REQUESTS

The old devil is mad at this place and we need your prayers. A man went to Tusculossa to get a bill against us for disturbing him at the place where we have church so he could not sleep. One of my neighbors said she was going to do all she could to stop us from praying at my house. I feel just like going on. Please pray for us. We are looking for something to happen. A revival will start the third Saturday in September, Brother and Sister Franklin and Brother J. H. Morgan will be in charge. Some time during the meeting we will take the Lord's Supper and wash feet. We are looking for a great outpouring of the Holy Ghost. We meet every morning at 8:30 and pray and we know that somebody is praying for us.—Your sister, Annie Cagle.

I have a sister-in-law who has been afflicted for some time and has been bedfast for several months. She has tried the doctors and all remedies but none have done any good. She has many trials to overcome and desires the saints of God to pray a special prayer for the healing of her body. Pray for her husband and that her home might be happy again. Her name is Mrs. Lattie Bryant.—Your sister in Christ, Pearl Bryant, Goin, Tenn.

Dear Evangel readers, I am coming to you to ask you to help me pray for the healing of my little daughter, Pauline. She has chills and I don't know why she can't get healed. She refused to take medicine and said she wanted to trust the Lord. This is all she knows to do as I have trusted the Lord for our healing ever since I received the baptism and joined the Church of God. The Lord has always answered our prayers in regard to healing. I know He can heal Pauline. She is not quite ten years old, has asked for prayer several times. Please pray for her. Pray for God to give me a Christian home. I am a mother of seven children. The oldest daughter is saved, the others are unsaved. Husband is also unsaved. Please get a hold of God in my behalf.—A sister in Christ, Julia Lachance, Mine La Motte, Mo.

Please pray for the healing of my body. I have been healed a number of times. I believe in divine healing. I am lonely since my mother went away but if I live true to my Maker I will meet her again by and by. Pray for my sister, Fannie Rice. She has an inflamed kidney.—A sister, Bessie Bailey, Whiteside, Tenn.

Pray that I may get the Holy Ghost and be ready to go up in the rapture. Pray that the Lord will send someone to Pelham, Ga. to hold a meeting. It doesn't make any difference how many children he has, if any one wants to come this way, notify L. T. Goff, Pelham, Ga.

I want all the Christian people to pray a special prayer for my husband to be saved. Pray for the healing of my body.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Maggie Boyd, 416 Princeton Ave., West End Sta., Birmingham, Ala.

Pray for my mother and father who are out in sin that they may be saved, also that I will be an overcomer of sin and the devil.—A sister in Christ, (Miss) Bonnie Huffstutler.

Please pray for my little boy to be healed.—Maggie Hickerson, Newell, Ala.

The devil has afflicted me in my feet. I haven't had a doctor to tell me the trouble but I know the Lord understands and He is able to heal me. Please pray for me to be healed so I can go to the Assembly. Pray for my four children to be saved.—Your sister in Christ, Sarah Perkinson, E. Chattanooga, Tenn.

Pray for God to save my husband, brothers and sisters.—Mrs. Etta Parson, 30 Bertha St., Charleston, S. C.

Pray that God will send a preacher to this place to build it up. Pray for my unsaved husband and father and for the backslidden ones here.—Mrs. Augusta Kennedy, Pittsburg, Ill.

My husband and I are the only holiness people here. Pray for the Lord to make a way for some good brother or sister to come here and preach the Word of God so souls may be saved. Pray for my husband to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and that I may stay humble at the foot of the cross and do the Lord's will.—Your sister under the blood, Mrs. Susie Shrewsbury, Kale, W. Va.

Please pray for me to be healed of asthma. The Lord has healed me before. Pray for the Lord to send somebody here to feed His sheep.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. C. W. Lynch, Winder, Ga., Rt. 3.

I want the dear saints to pray for my father as he has a real bad sore foot. He has been walking on crutches about four weeks and the doctor has failed to do him any good. He is unsaved but he knows what the great power of God can do as it has been manifested in our home many times. Pray for him to be saved and healed.—A sister under the blood, (Miss) Geneva Lumpkin, LaFrance, S. C.

I want to ask the children of God to pray for my husband to be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. He is a backslider. Pray for me.—Effie Watlington, Marked Tree, Ark.

Please get a hold of God for the healing of my body. I have pellaagra and stomach trouble and am a nervous wreck. I have about five different diseases. Please don't pass this unnoticed. Pray for me, also for my unsaved husband that he will come to God before it is too late. Pray that God will give me faith to stand every test the devil may let come my way. I want to trust God to the end.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Joe Williams, Avon Park, Fla.

Pray for my baby sister. She is about four months old and only weighs ten pounds, the same as she weighed when she was born. She has been sick. Pray that the Lord will strengthen her little body. Pray for my husband to receive the Holy Ghost, also for my unsaved father, mother, sister and

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DO YOU DESIRE A REVIVAL

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—After a good meeting for three weeks at the Bruderie mission in this city, I went to Pekin, Ind. and was in a two weeks' campaign, assisted by Brother S. R. Cook and wife. Twenty-six were saved, fourteen were baptized in water. It is a new field. The best of order prevailed. Sometimes as many as six hundred would be at the night services. Anyone desiring a revival, we would be glad to come to you. We will leave soon for a tour of the southern states. Address Rev. Wilbert Halle, Gen. Del., Louisville, Ky.—Wilbert Halle.

brother.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. A. C. Brown, Marathon, Fla.

Please pray for me that I will have enough faith to be healed so I can walk. I haven't walked in nearly five years.—A sister in Christ, Alice Price, Johnson City, Tenn., 1507 Fairview Ave.

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Wonderful Time At Somerset, Ky.

SOMERSET, Ky.—The revival held here July 14-28 by Brother L. A. Richard was a success. It began with a Children's Day program. Dinner was served in the church on account of the rain for the ground for which we had spoken could not be used. About three hundred were fed from the baskets of the good members and friends of the church and enough carried away to have fed half as many more.

After this the soul feeding time started. We had a wonderful time feasting on the good things from Heaven. It seemed as if the mist was lifted and the clouds rolled away and the Lord let the sunshine of salvation beam right down in our midst until the old and the young danced together. Shouts of the new born echoed back from Heaven mingled with the rejoicing of the angels. Four were saved, two reclaimed, eight sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost, and two baptized in water. The church was edified by the soul stirring messages given out in power and might by Brother Richard under the mighty power of the Holy Ghost. The revival came to a close with people still seeking the Lord. The saints are still under the burden for the lost.

We had feet washing and communion service on the last Sunday night of the meeting in which a goodly number took part. A multitude of friends and spectators thronged the house and gathered about the street to see the good work of the Lord again administered by His saints. Then came the handshakes and goodbyes. The visitation of the Lord will never be forgotten by His people.—G. R. Hall, clerk.

Good Seed Sown

Kenton, Tenn.—Graves Chapel meeting began July 21 with the pastor, P. F. Graves, in charge until Thursday, 25th. Brother Wieho from Arkansas came and held two services and Brother B. H. Smith, our district overseer came the 27th and stayed until the 31st. Brother Phipps of Arkansas has been with us the last few days. No one has been saved but the Lord has blessed in a wonderful way. Many good seed have been sown. One Baptist minister came into the church and more are looking this way. We wish all the members could have been present, but for some reason they were not. The meeting closed Aug. 2.

We haven't had a report concerning the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Tom Whitlow and family. We would appreciate it if anyone who knows of them would write us. When last heard from they were in Milwaukee, Wis.

We covet your prayers for our future success. If it is the Lord's will, we will have another meeting in September. Our outlook is bright. May the dear Lord's will be done with us.—G. W. Ragin, clerk, Rt. 6.

SEVEN RECEIVED HOLY GHOST

AVON PARK, Fla.—Our meeting is still running. I know it is the best meeting that has ever been at Avon Park. Surely the preacher is in the center of the Lord's will. The crowds are so large until the church won't hold all the people. We are going to build it larger.

I ask all the saints everywhere to pray a special prayer for my little girl who has some kind of sinking spells. I know that He said in His Word by His stripes we are healed.

I thank the good Lord for sending Brother Yates and family here for our pastor this year. Seven have received the blessed Holy Ghost. I don't know the number that has been saved. This makes the sixth week the revival has gone on. Sunday eleven were added to the church and more are looking this good way. I have a deeper determination than ever before to go all the way. I promised the Lord if He would give me back the Holy Ghost I would do anything He commanded me

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to archaeologist, St. Paul stood in the delivery of this sermon, and thanked God for a missionary of such undaunted courage.

Our next visit was to the Acropolis. This was the upper city which was brought to ruins by the Persian Conqueror Xerxes and restored by Cimon and Pericles in the fourth century B. C. to whom we owe the monuments we so much admire today.

We entered the Acropolis by a stair case and a sumptuous portal known as the Propylaea, built of beautiful Pentelicon marble in 432 B. C. Through this portal passed the chariots and horsemen and the animals used for sacrifices to the goddess Minerva.

To the right of the Propylaea on a terrace overlooking the whole surrounding country is the temple of Athena Nike, which was a votive offering to Athena for victory over the enemy. It is built of the same material as the Propylaea but its columns are smaller and are Ionic instead of Doric.

Back of the Propylaea and just a little to the right is the large structure called the Parthenon. It is purely Doric in style and its material is likewise marble from the quarries of Pentelicon. It is said that this is the gem of Greek architecture. Its dimensions are 243 ft. by 111 ft. Originally it contained 62 large exterior columns and 36 smaller interior ones. This was built by Pericles in the years 436 to 434 B. C. Part of it was destroyed by a powder explosion in 1656 A. D.

To the right of the Parthenon as one faces the Propylaea, is the Erechtheum. This was the Temple of Minerva Pallas. On the side facing the Parthenon is a porch whose columns are statues and is known as the Caryatides. To say the least, it was another wonderful marble structure.

From the Acropolis we visited, just beneath the hill, the Theatre of Bacchus. This stadium required thirty years to build it and is said to have held thirty thousand people. It was here that the masterpieces of Sophocles, Euripides, Aristophanes, and Aeschylus were played. All of the seats were marble and those around the front row had backs to them. They were for the nobility.

The ruins of the Temple of Jupiter are very interesting. The building of this was begun in 530 B. C. but not finished until 130 A. D. by the Emperor Hadrian. This was the largest temple in Greece and the second largest in the world, the largest being that of Diana at Ephesus. The massive columns of the Temple of Jupiter are of marble, about seven ft. in diameter and sixty ft. high. They are of Corinthian design. The reason for so few of these standing is that the Turks burned many of them for lime while they were in possession of Greece. The entrance to this temple is by the Arch of Hadrian which still remains in good shape. On the side of the arch next to the temple appears this inscription, "This is the town of Hadrian and not that of Theseus." On the other side next to the Acropolis is the inscription, "This is the town of Theseus." Hadrian had said that he would build a town that surpassed that of the Greeks.

The Temple of Theseus is opposite Mars' Hill from the Acropolis. It is the best preserved of any of the ancient buildings. Practically all of the marble is still in place and presents a beautiful specimen of oriental or ancient Greek architecture.

One other place of interest in the line of ruins is perhaps worthy of mention. The Tower of the Winds which was built in an octagon shape. Upon it was a sun dial and a weather vane and in it was a water clock. Just back of it was the old Roman market where the Caesars at one time did shopping. There is not much of the old market remaining now. The modern buildings of Greece are of very little interest except a few that are built in imitation of the old.

The new Stadium which is built on the site of the ancient one was built in 1895 and was inaugurated the following year by the resumption of the Olympic games. The only other buildings noticed by us were the Royal Palace, the University of Athens and the Museum.

BIBLE SCHOOL A HELP

UNION, Miss.—I thank the Lord for His Word. He has no respect for person or place because the dear Lord has been with us at this place in a revival. Brother R. J. Aldridge of Gordo, Ala. was with us. He certainly did give out the Word while other meetings were in progress. It rained considerably. We had nice crowds. Only one was saved, but they all received the light on the Church of God. Bro. Goin's McNair and his band were with

to do. I am saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and belong to the Church of God.—Your brother in Christ, J. W. Horgan.

LETTERS IN INTEREST Of The BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

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I INTEND TO BE THERE

FT. MYERS, Fla.—"They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mt. Zion which cannot be removed but abideth for ever. As the mountains are around about Jerusalem, so is the Lord round about His people from hence forth even for ever."

I am so glad these blessed promises are for us today, the scriptural Zion, the Church of God. We feel that they are verified so many times for we feel Him so near. Our prayer meeting last Thursday night surely was glorious. Truly the Lord was there for there was shouting, dancing, talking in tongues and one brother played under the power so sweetly and the power was so great that someone said they began to think the Lord was coming. The young people's meetings

are real interesting and the Lord surely does bless us when we obey Him. Praise the Lord!

I want to say that I had the grand privilege of attending Bible School last term. Did I enjoy it? I'll say I did, and you who attend this coming term may look for me for I intend to be there by the Lord's help. I want to say as the other students have said, that I surely appreciate the teachers and their untiring efforts to assist us in every way possible and make the school as pleasant and homelike as they can. I am nappy to learn that the same faculty will have charge this coming term, for I am sure they will do their best by every one. So come on and meet me in the schoolroom Monday morning, Oct. 28th, and let us begin our school work together. Pray much for me.—A student, Wilma Thomas.

The Assembly in the Sky

J. B. Ellis

Now the Assembly is almost here, The happiest time of all the year. The people will come over land and sea And meet in dear old Tennessee. To dear old Cleveland from all around, The trains pull in with a glorious sound Of people from East and people from West, Shouting the victory over another year's test. From the sunny South, from the North so cold, They are shouting the victory way down in their soul.

From the roaring Atlantic, from the Pacific so quiet, From the dark cold North where the day is like night, From the South's flowery garden, and all over the seas, Everything moving closer to old Tennessee; No wonder such showers of blessings fall here When the Assembly day is drawing near. Nearer and nearer they gather each day, Till the love is so great seems we hear them say, "Thank God, soon the rivers and hills we'll pass. At the Assembly we'll meet, singing glory at last."

They have a right to sing and shout; They all worked hard, and some, no doubt, Worked hard but still are not able to go. But their loyalty to God and the Church they show. Sent their dollar in for some alterations And if it's completed, you'll need no explanations. Even tho' in the attic or the back so far, You can hear as good as being in the choir. So if you can't come, just send your dollar in. Those present can tell all from beginning to end. Even tho' you are coming, if a dollar you'll send, You'll be more than paid when the Assembly you attend.

Finally when we are gathered together at last, A year's victory won, a year's labor past; At last we'll gather His praises singing, All glory to Him our voices ringing. Thanking God for protecting us all thru life Thru a world of sin and envy and strife For protecting our journey to Cleveland, Tenn. And most of all for freedom from sin. Tho' the mountains were high and the

us some. We enjoyed the sweet heavenly music. The Bible School is certainly a help to the young boys who we know have attended. We hope to have a live church here yet. Pray for us.—Sister Sarah Wedgeworth, R. 3, Box 36.

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WAKE UP!

FOXWORTH, Miss.—Greetings in Jesus' name: It has been said that Mt. Sinai church was dead and that it just as well be buried for it would not be any trouble as the graveyard was handy, but I couldn't feel that way. I began to think and pray seriously about this that it may not prove so and for the Lord to send a pastor as they didn't have any last year. It seemed to fall to a young brother in the way, as he calls himself, just a little boy in the way, Brother Dewey Bosman. He was humble and earnestly desired the will, favor and blessing of God. He began to work and pray that he might see that large house filled again as it once had been and souls blessed. It had gotten to where only a few attended church and Sunday School. People shouldn't become careless and unconcerned about serving the Lord, for our last hour may come unexpected and find some soul not ready to go in peace to eternal rest. Oh, Lord help the people to wake up, in my prayer, and get new life in them and be on fire for God. I feel we haven't much longer to fight this battle.

I was on the bed afflicted when the time came for the revival to begin. I knew if the Lord didn't help me I wouldn't be able to attend. I cried and begged God if it was His will for me to help to raise me up and give me strength to do what He required me to do. I thank the Lord for He kept me able to go every night and five days. I did all the playing and sang, prayed and did all my hands could find to do. The Lord worked in different ways, but there seemed to be a blinding spirit. People would not yield to conviction and come to the altar. One received the Holy Ghost, two were reclaimed, one was sanctified and several seekers were in the altar. Some are backsliders. A young man who received the Holy Ghost about thirteen years ago came to the altar. The Lord took his little baby a short time ago and this brought about a change in his life. Pray earnestly for him. Everybody is interested in him, even the sinner boys; maybe if he gets back to the Lord it will be the means of many souls being saved. Pray for the others and the spiritual welfare of the entire church. We want to see this church built up and on fire for God. Sister Pearl Adams and her children came last Thursday night. Their band of music caused others to come out. Good music draws folks when nothing else will, then His servants get to preach to them. They were a great help. Brother Grimes and a truck load came from Shady Grove church near Magee, Miss. We surely did appreciate their help so much.

Wake up folks, let's get in earnest about the Lord's business and do more for Him. Please pray for me.—A steady worker in the church, Nellie Dunaway, Rt. 1.

People Interested

FINLEY, Okla.—Dear saints, I praise my King for what He is to me. He has done so much for us I could not tell half of it. We are out on the battlefield now for our King. We came to Finley, Okla. to hold a meeting. They would not let us have their church so the blessed Lord made it possible for us to build an arbor and seat it. We started our meeting with good crowds from the beginning. Last night was our fifth night. Two were saved and others are seeking. The Baptists started a meeting just across the road from us but the people surely are interested in this way. We need more help. I want all who read this to pray for this meeting that many souls will be saved. This is a new field. The Lord called me from California to go to Murphy and Finley to hold meetings. Husband stopped at Alamogordo, New Mexico to work a while. I preached there two nights and one was saved. We haven't got to Murphy yet but expect to sometime in the future. Pray much for us and the meeting.—Mary A. Martin, evangelist.

and look like we would have to go somewhere else but just before we would leave the Lord would supply our need.

We are thankful we have five churches in the district. We pastor 20 miles apart. We have held four revivals and set one church in order with fourteen members. Twenty-six have been saved, nineteen sanctified, and ten filled with the Holy Ghost. We secured all the subscriptions for the Evangel we could, although it hasn't been many. Our work is mostly in the country. I want to say we have some people in each church who will stand by their pastor. We feel that the work is in a condition to move on another year. We want to run a revival at this place before the Assembly if we can get to do it.—Yours in the Master's work, Mrs. E. E. Simmons.

Greater Interest In Services

SODDY, Tenn.—It will be remembered that about two years ago there was a division in our church and we who stood for the Church of God with headquarters at Cleveland, Tenn. with Brother Latimer General Overseer, came out from among them and have had no place to worship until recently we completed our new church building, or rather got it so we could hold a revival in it. I am praising God today for the revival just closed. It continued for three weeks and the Lord was in the midst from the beginning. Several were saved, some sanctified and several filled with the Holy Ghost for we heard them speak in other tongues and magnify God. Thirty-four were added to the church and among them were two preachers from the Original Church of God with headquarters at Chattanooga, Tenn. Sixteen followed the Lord in water baptism. Last Sunday night we took the Lord's Supper and washed the saints' feet.

There seems to be a greater interest in the services than ever before. The Sunday School is larger than ever before. Our attendance last Sunday was over one hundred and seventy. We earnestly ask all who read this to pray for the church at Soddy that we may stand steadfast and do the will of God.—Your brother in Christ, B. L. Hoge, clerk.

OBEY GOD

BRANFORD, Fla.—Dear saints, greetings in Jesus' name: I want to praise the Lord this morning for what He has done for me. He has wonderfully given me back the blessing that once was so sweet to me. When I was about thirteen years old, God gave me the Holy Ghost. I lived for Him for about five or six years, and then let the devil cause me to go back into the world. I had gone just about as far as one could go back without sinning against the Holy Ghost. A few days ago the Lord let dear Brother Rouse from Kentucky come to Branford. The Lord surely did bless. On Friday afternoon Brother Rouse was over at our house. The devil had me bound with smocking until I smoked two and three packs of Camels a day. Brother Rouse said to me, "Let's burn these up for the glory of God." I said, "If you will pray for me and God will help me I will not smoke anymore." That night I went down to church. He said that all who wanted prayer for the healing of their bodies to come and he would pray for them. While he was waiting for them to come he looked at me and said, "Come on." That was all that I needed for I went to the altar. The devil would not let me pray, but I looked to God and asked Him to help me to pray. After a while my mouth opened and God took me back. The next Wednesday they received me back into the great Church of God for which I am truly glad.

I am a young boy of 22, one who wants to obey God and do what He wants me to do. I want to say to the young people, "Let's pray for one another and for the ones who haven't the victory. Whatever we do let's be humble and lift up the Church of God." The Bible says we will be a despised people for His name sake. I see so many young people who belong to the church that think that they have to keep up with the new styles of dressing: dresses up to their knees, low necks, short sleeves and bobbed hair. I don't feel that this is pleasing to God. When I was a backslider, I always thought that if there was anyone that should dress holy it would be the boys and girls in the Church of God.

In Matt. 14:19, 20 we will see where the Lord commanded the multitude to sit down before He would feed them. Today, probably, He is telling some of us to do some little thing so He can bless us and we will not obey. Naaman the leper went to the prophet and asked him to pray for God to heal him. The prophet told him to go down to the lake and wash and he would be healed. Naaman felt so high, he being a high general, and started to go away without being healed but one of his servants asked him to go. He went and was healed.

Probably, there are some today who are too high to obey God and that is the reason that lots of the time we have to suffer. If we would just obey God He would heal us and help us thru the rough places so easily. Glory, He is so good to us. I want the people of God all over the world to pray for me that I will always be found in His will at all times and that I may never go back but press bravely onward toward the mark.—Your true brother in Christ Jesus, Loran V. Hall.

Lord Would Supply Our Needs

WILLISTON, Fla.—Just a brief report of our work this year. We came to Williston Nov. 24. Husband came by Brother Johnson's request to take charge of this district. It seemed to be a very hard work. Money was very scarce; the former pastor had to farm to get a support for his family. We were determined to trust God for support as we had been doing for several years. Times would get very close

Are You Ready?

MUSKEGON, Mich.—I want all the saints of God everywhere to know where I am at this time and I want to testify thru the Evangel. I am still in the cause for God and right. I am saved and on my way to the glory land for I feel it will be a very short time until we will have to give an account of our work here below. I have been away from home ever since January and haven't been in a Church of God meeting since I left. Oh, how hungry I am this afternoon to be among the people of God at home.

I have been in some good meetings and held some revivals here in Michigan. I believe forty-six have been saved since I came here. A Catholic man came in meeting one Sunday night. He came to the altar and God saved him. He kept seeking until he was sanctified. In about three weeks he came in the church and knelt by his seat. I went to him and asked him to ask God to baptize him with the Holy Ghost. We prayed and laid hands on him in the name of Jesus and he was filled with the Holy Ghost. He is now a living witness. He was wounded in the war and had been failing every day with some awful spell caused from the wound. He took God as his healer and is growing better right along. He has gone to work and hasn't had but about three or four spells in about three months. He is giving God all the glory.

I am so glad God is our great Healer today. He has healed my body so many times. He healed my baby when it looked as if death would come in spite of all the prayers. I thank Him and give Him all the praise.

I have just come in from the oil field where my husband is drilling a well at this place to see the well uncapped. As I stood afar off and looked and heard the great sound of the awful pressure that was bringing the oil and gas from beneath the soil I thought of the great day of the Lord, of the bottomless pit, and the fire and brimstone that was going to be poured out upon the old world. I thought of the wicked and all who forget God as the oil and gas flew above the rig so high in the air. Dear ones, it will pay us to be ready when all these things come to pass so we can be caught away from all these awful things. Thanks be to God, for the privilege of being prepared to go when He appears. Are you ready? If not, prepare to meet thy God. I truly can say I am glad my faith still stands steadfast in God. I am crying out for the old path wherein is the good way. He said walk therein.

All who read this pray for my family. Some are out of the ark of safety. May God bless and keep all the saints true until He comes. It is time to awake out of sleep; the time is short. Watch and pray.—Emma Black, 1116 Terrace.

EIGHT BAPTIZED

CORN, Okla.—I am praising God for the good meeting that we had at Claud Chief, Okla., beginning July 15 and closed Aug. 1. Sister Mary Pierce and Sister White did the preaching. The Lord surely did bless. The devil did his best but in spite of him we got the victory. Five were saved, five sanctified and five filled with the Holy Ghost and spoke with new tongues. Our state overseer, Brother Hicks, did the preaching. Eight followed the Lord in water baptism and eight came into the church.

Brother Hicks preached for us one night. He certainly did preach a wonderful sermon. The people surely did enjoy the message that he gave out.

Praise God for healing power. My little boy had head and throat trouble. He hadn't been well since he was seven months old. Sister Mary Pierce and Sister White and some of the saints prayed for him. He is well now. Glory to God, I thank Him for it. The night I received the Holy Ghost Sister Mary Pierce started home with us. On the way home the car turned over in a ditch about five feet deep. One of the brothers came and took us over to his house. The next morning Sister Annie Clifton turned a pan of hot grease over on her little girl's neck and shoulder. Sister Pierce anointed her with olive oil and we prayed for her. The Lord healed her. There wasn't even a sore left. After we had prayed for her she said it did not hurt a bit.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Thelma Clifton.

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Deaths

OSBON

The death angel visited our home August 17, 1929 and claimed my darling sweet sister, Nancy Florence Osbon, age eighteen years, eight months and twenty-two days. She was loved by all who knew her. She was sacrificing and delighted in making others happy. She had a smile for everyone and was always cheerful and happy.

Many prayers were offered in her behalf, but Jesus saw best to take her to be with Him. She trusted Jesus all thru her illness. Every time she was asked if she wanted a physician she would say that she wanted Jesus. We all feel sure that our loss is Heaven's gain and we do not weep as those who have no hope for we mean to meet her on the golden shore of sweet deliverance some day. We do not know why and can't understand why Jesus took her so early, but bless His dear name He said that all things work together for the good of those who love the Lord. He said we would understand it better by and by.

She leaves to mourn her death a heart-broken mother, father, one sister, two brothers, one sister-in-law, grandfather and a host of other relatives and friends.

In dreams I can hear her singing. In fancy her face can see; To me her kind voice still echoes, In tones of sweet melody.—Her broken-hearted sister, Beulah E. Osbon, Bx 391, Aiken, S. C.

WOOD

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Drew and claimed for its victim W. R. Wood, a loyal member of the Church of God. He was a member for about twelve years. It brought sorrow to our hearts to see his departure, but on the other hand it brings joy to know we shall meet him in the great Beyond if we hold out to the end. He was rejected by many down here but we believe he was greatly welcome up there. He tried to please the Lord in every respect. He was sick only a short time. He trusted the Lord to the end. Our days are numbered for the Bible says that we can lengthen or shorten them. His days ended August 15. He was fifty-seven years old. His body was laid to rest in the Gibson Blower cemetery at Earl, Ark. His funeral was conducted by the undertaker and Brother Hilburn, a pentecost preacher.

A friend from us has gone but some sweet day we hope to meet in that land at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.—One who loved him as a brother, Mrs. Nellie McGee, Earl, Ark.

WHITLOW

On December 14, 1927 the great Giver of all good gifts gave a darling baby to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Whitlow and August 8, 1929 called him home, making his short stay with us only 19 months and 24 days. He leaves to mourn father, mother, one brother, one sister and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral was conducted by Brother Barton and his remains laid to rest in the Oak Vale Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

Little Billie was loved by all. He had a sweet smile and a wave of his hand for everyone passing by. It was so hard to give Billie up, but we know if we are faithful we will see him again where there will be no more parting. How slowly glide the moments by, How long appears the day, How sad the time is, since Little Billie went away.—Written by one who loved him dearly his grandmother, Laura Whitlow.

FIELDS

On June 18, 1929 the death angel claimed our precious sister in Christ, Sister Emma Fields. She was sixty-one years March 24. Her entire life since early girlhood had been one of high Christianity. She first united with the Methodist church where she lived a Christian in that faith until later she joined the Baptist church. In this she remained a member until she saw the blessed light on the Church of God then she was sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and added to the Church of God at Groves Chapel, Tenn. where she remained until death.

She was a blessed woman of a character that well spoke her faith. Her life was one of consecration. She was always willing to do for others. Her faith in God was steadfast; she loved the cause of Christ. She was constantly telling of God's goodness to her and how she was looking forward to a day when she was expecting to ever be with the Lord.

She leaves to mourn her death three children, a number of grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends. All will miss her; the church will miss her so much. But we are looking forward to a meeting just inside those heavenly gates where no parting has ever been known. We believe dear Sister Fields is waiting and longing for us. Let us not weep as those who have no hope for we believe there shall be a resurrection of the dead.—One who loved her, (Miss) Louise Evans.

GILL

On August 17th the death angel visited the home of H. B. Gill and

claimed his wife. She was sick for several days but was patient all thru her sickness. She was not a member of the Church but was a holiness believer. We believe she is gone to be with Jesus. All was done for her that loving hands could do but the dear Lord saw fit to take her away. She leaves a husband and two little children, Harrie and Nadeen, to mourn her death. The funeral service was held Sunday morning by Brother W. H. Yates, pastor of the Church of God. She was laid to rest in the Bougainvillea Cemetery to await the coming of our Lord.—A friend, Mrs. Bertha Crutchefield, Avon Park, Fla., Rt. 1.

GREGORY

Asa Colly Gregory, born Jan. 29, 1866, passed from our midst and went home to be with Jesus July 29, 1929. Brother Gregory was a conscientious Christian and always lent a helping hand in time of need or sorrow. He always carried his share of the burdens. He was our superintendent here and did his utmost in seeing the cause go forward. He leaves to mourn for him 1 daughter, son-in-law, and 1 granddaughter. Jesus knew best and saw fit to take him home. We sorrow not as those who have no hope. Funeral services were conducted by Brother Cook and his body laid to rest in the Joliet Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.—Mrs. Leslie Cook, Joliet, Mont.

STIVERS

A flower, Verna Stivers, came into this life on Aug. 20, 1913 and scattered sunshine and love along her pathway. An angel gently kissed her breath away, Aug. 20, 1929, her sixteenth birthday. She was afflicted over two years ago and everything was done in the power of loved ones, but she was not strong enough to withstand the disease and peacefully submitted herself to the divine will of God.

In Verna's life as she grew from year to year she seemed like other girls, but when the storms of disease and afflictions came upon her body, bruising and crushing it, then was the perfume of her character made manifest. Patience, love, kindness, fortitude and faith bloomed forth from the bed of affliction. We know she suffered and endured her sickness with a patience that has seldom been seen before.

She gave her heart to Jesus last December and loved the church and Sunday School and the work of the Lord. She leaves behind her a father, mother, two sisters, three brothers, two grandfathers, two grandmothers and a host of other relatives and friends.

Beautiful funeral services were conducted at the Church of God in Olney by Brother Graham Oglesby, the pastor, assisted by Brother Stanley Joplin of Bridgeport, Ill. Her body was laid to rest in Haven Hill cemetery to await the resurrection morning. The many beautiful floral offerings with which her casket was banked showed the love and esteem of her many friends.

She has left us to go to realms eternal, Dwelling with Jesus and loved ones she'll stay, Waiting and watching for others to follow.

The blessed Redeemer, the Light and the Way.—One who loved her, her aunt, Sister Hattie Utz, Olney, Ill.

SHIPP

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shipp August 9 and claimed for its victim little Eva Jacquelin, age twenty months. We loved her but God loved her best and took her out of this world of suffering. She was sick only a few hours. We sorrow not as those who have no hope for we know if we keep the faith and stand true we will meet her in a better world some day where there will be no parting. She leaves to mourn her death father, mother, one brother, grandmother, grandfather and a host of other relatives and friends.—One who loved her, her aunt, Elsie Westberry, Manatee, Fla.

GOD WAS THE DIRECTOR

ISOLA, Miss.—I want to sound a note of praise thru the dear little paper which brings the good testimonies of God's children to our home. I praise the Lord for His tender mercy and the great Comforter which is the Holy Ghost. I thank the Lord for my place in the dear old Church of God. We have just closed a three weeks revival. Brother C. E. Edwards and Brother C. M. Sims were in charge. The Lord surely did bless. Thirty were baptized with the Holy Ghost fire, seventeen added to the church. God was the director of our meeting all the way thru. The devil couldn't get room to fight. We surely did enjoy the presence of the great King of Heaven and earth. I thank the Lord for the good sermons that came thru Brother Edwards and Sims. The Lord certainly did direct their messages. I surely want to be just what God wants me to be. I want you to hold me up to the Lord in your prayers.—J. C. Henderson, Rt. 1, Box 41.

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Jesus Was There

GILBERT, La.—To the dear readers of the Evangel: I want to write a few words in behalf of our meeting. I can say it was wonderful. We surely had large crowds and good order. Jesus was there every service. Sister Marie Walker did the preaching. She surely did some good preaching. I know God was with her. Anyone would do well to have her preach to them. She is a faithful worker in the Church of God. We all love her and surely do appreciate her coming over and helping us. Our meeting ran two weeks and a half. One or two got saved and four came into the church. We surely thank God for every one that came and bowed at the altar. We surely need the prayers of all who pray.

My husband and daughter are on the altar for the Holy Ghost. Oh, how I long to see them get humble enough for God to have His way with them. We want to have another revival some time soon. I ask all of God's children to pray for this place that God will get hold of the hearts of the people so they can see the light on His Word. Sometimes I get so burdened to see so many people going to and fro and it doesn't look as if they ever think of our blessed Saviour, the One who died and died on the cross that we might have everlasting life. I have a mother, six sisters and six brothers in this world. I know many of them are unsaved. I ask all to pray for them to receive the Holy Ghost before it is too late. My mother is afflicted in her body and we know God is able to heal. Pray that God will heal her body and save her soul.

I can say I still have the victory in my soul this morning. I want to do God's will whatever the cost may be. Pray for this place and for our little prayer meetings, also pray for Sister Walker and Brother Brooks that God will still use them in His services. I know God is with them for they surely did tell the people about God's Word. Sometime back I sent in a testimony. It appeared in the paper that both my legs were broken when it should have been one, and God healed us of the flu instead of the fever.—Your humble sister and brother, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Lairmore.

Go Ye into all the World And Preach the Gospel

CELESTE, Tex.—I am proud of my family and glad to be a member of the Church of the living God. How I did long to be at the state camp meeting. One morning as I saw the sun rising I said, "This is the hour for sunrise prayer meeting. I prayed that there may be a great harvest of souls reaped for God's kingdom at our camp meeting. I know many have sacrificed to go and it will be a great feast." But this Scripture keeps coming to me, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." How many of our pastors have gone into new fields this year? It seems to me we have enough preachers to preach at least one sermon in each county in Texas. I read of three or four revivals at some churches in the same year and several towns in that county have never heard a gospel sermon. They say, when more missionary funds come in we can evangelize more. Who sent in money to send out our first Church of God preachers? O I wonder if our preachers are getting like others, afraid to go into new fields. Jesus is not coming until His Word has been preached in all the world as a witness. "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in Judea, and in Samaria, and in the uttermost parts of the earth." We find plenty of preachers around Jerusalem, a few in Judea and Samaria, but who is going to the uttermost parts of the earth?

I live almost in sight of one of the best towns in this part of the state and it has never heard a Church of God sermon preached in it, nor has anyone preached in Hunt county. I have been waiting and praying for God to send someone here for two years. One day last Winter while praying it seemed that I was almost in the place Abraham was when he pleaded with God to spare Sodom. I said, O Lord, is there not any material here for your church? Would you send someone if there are just a few, and it seemed I heard Him say I will send someone if there is just one soul. Then I thought, is there one who will go. Surely one ought to feel repaid if he stayed here two whole years and gained one soul for God and the church. It made me feel that we can't go too far, too much out of the way, too small or too large a place to find just one stone to be fitted into God's building. O that we all might pray until we get a hungering to make any sacrifice that souls might be saved. Surely God is saying to someone, "Who will go for me?"—Mrs. Kathryn Thompson.

HELP BY PRAYING

HENNING, Tenn.—We are having a revival at our church, Beasley's Chapel, which began August 4 with Brother and Sister A. A. Carpenter in charge. Brother P. F. Graves arrived Thursday to help continue the meeting. All who read this please pray for me that God will fill and thrill me with the precious Holy Ghost and that

CHURCH IN MONT. ON THE MOVE

BIG TIMBER, Mont.—On June 24th to the 27th inclusive, we had our State Assembly at Big Timber, Montana. I'm sure that all who were present will agree with me that it was one of the best State Assemblies they were ever in. The presence of God was with us from the beginning to the end, even before and afterwards.

The Assembly opened Monday 24th at 10:00 a. m. The welcome address was by James J. Martin, which was enjoyed by all. After this Brother Latimer brought the dedication sermon, after which we gave the little building back to God who first gave it to us. Many said this was the best sermon that Brother Latimer preached here, but I couldn't tell which was the best, for I think he was at his best all the time.

In the afternoon service we had a short talk in Norwegian by Brother Bokke from Dakota and the Norwegians surely seemed to enjoy it and so did we. We had healing services every evening at 6:30 and many that were prayed for reported victory. At 8:00 p. m. Brother Latimer brought the message, "Baptism of the Holy Ghost" was his subject, and we surely did enjoy it. Altar service followed.

Tuesday morning we had the call of churches and their responses. It surely was enjoyed by all. At 11:15 a sermon was given by Leslie Cook on "Prayer." This was enjoyed. At 2:30 we met again. After songs and prayer Brother Latimer gave us a talk on the Bible School and this too was enjoyed. I'm sure that it will have the desired effect upon some of your young people and that you will see some of them in the Bible School this fall. After this a sermon was delivered in Norwegian by Brother Bokke which was enjoyed by all, there being about 18, I believe, who could understand him. At night Brother Latimer again brought the message and an altar service followed that we will never forget, nor the devil, or Big Timber either.

Wednesday at 10:00 after good singing and prayers Brother Latimer preached again, his subject was "God's financial plan." This also was wonderful and enjoyed by all, even those who still rob God had to acknowledge that it was so. After this we listened to Brother James Martin bring the message on "Sanctification." You who have heard him on this subject know that we were not disappointed. At 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon we had talks in interest of S. S. by Mrs. Mable Bolster and Thelma Brannin, which I'm sure gave us a greater desire to do more for the Sunday Schools. Following this we had sermons by Brothers Bokke and Clarence Henley, a Pentecostal Brother from Fromberg, Montana. We were not disappointed again, for it seemed that everything throughout the Assembly was directed by the Holy Ghost, and just fit in its place. We give God all the glory for I prayed for quite a while before making out the program. At night Brother Latimer again brought the message and the altar was again filled with hungry hearts. The slaying power fell as it did the night before and the night after, inasmuch that Brother Latimer said he had not seen the like in five years.

Thursday we had talks in the morning on Missions by the writer and James J. Martin, and whether we had great talks or not we had one of the greatest themes in the whole Bible. Our people are already showing an interest in Missions in Big Timber and I'm sure that the others will too. We have a Mission drill the same as the Orphanage march and today being the first march and just a few here on account of unknown hinderances we surely did well. We intend to evangelize the state with our penny march for missions. At 11:00 we had testimonies concerning the Church of God Evangel. The result was we received I believe, 26 subscriptions for the Evangel. After this a sermon was delivered by Clarence Henly on the Parables of Jesus which was beyond our expectation. We wondered at the revelation that God had given him on this. I wish that every one of our preachers could have heard this. Even though he is not yet a member of the Church of God he is one of the Churchiest preachers you ever heard. 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